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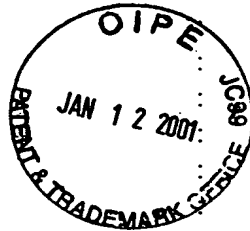
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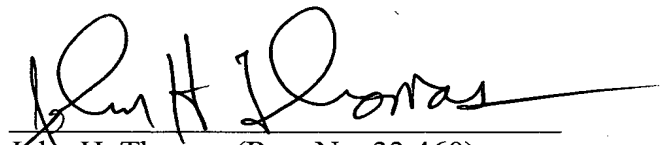
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SIR:

The enclosed documents, which are also listed on the accompanying PTO 1449, are being submitted for the examiner's consideration.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted before the receipt of the the first Office Action in above-identified application. Therefore, no fee is required. See 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b).

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